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**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.111**

Sir:

The following is in response to the Final office action of June 13, 2002.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1-9 as follows:

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1. A medical device comprising permeable, porous expanded polytetrafluoroethylene tube having a microstructure of nodes interconnected by fibrils and provided with a non-porous coating over the porous expanded polytetrafluoroethylene to render the tube non-porous, wherein said tube is configured as an inflatable balloon.

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2. A medical device according to claim 1 wherein the non-porous coating comprises fluorinated ethylene propylene.

3. A medical device according to claim 1 wherein the non-porous coating comprises an adhesive.

4. A medical device according to claim 3 wherein the adhesive comprises a thermoplastic

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